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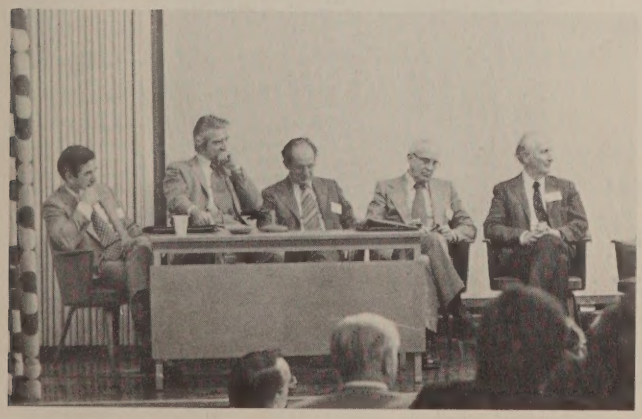
HSS ANNUAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETING

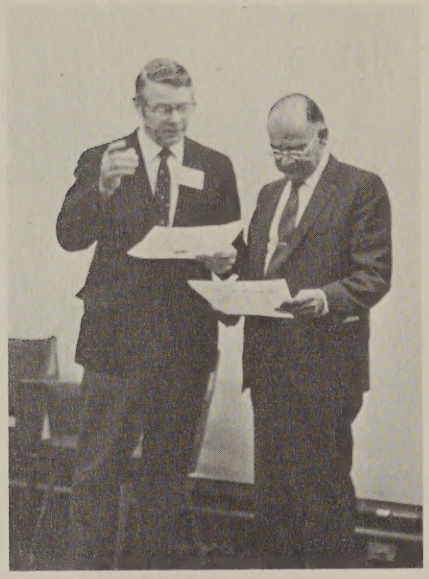
The Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association of The Hospital for Special Surgery was held on Thursday, November 14th, and Friday, November 15th. Dr. Fred C. Reynolds, Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at The Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, acted as Surgeon-in-Chief Pro-Tempore for the week of the meeting and delivered The Eleventh Philip D. Wilson Orthopaedic Lecture, "Twenty Years on the Bench." Dr. Daniel J. McCarty, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Medicine at The Medical College of Wisconsin, acted as Physician-in-Chief Pro-Tempore for the week of the meeting and delivered The Richard H. Freyberg Lecture, "Calcium Pyrophosphate Crystal and Deposition and Arthritis Mimicry".

About 175 doctors attended the meeting, including the following members of the Alumni Association who presented papers: Dr. Tyrone D. Artz, Dr. Robert L. Fisher, Dr. Hira E. Branch, Dr. Anthony G. Gristina, Dr. Mark S. Kaufmann and Dr. William W. Gough. Dr. Richard P. Embick, President of the Alumni Association, delivered the Presidential Address, "Clinical and Diagnostic Problems in Pigmented Villonodular Synovitis."

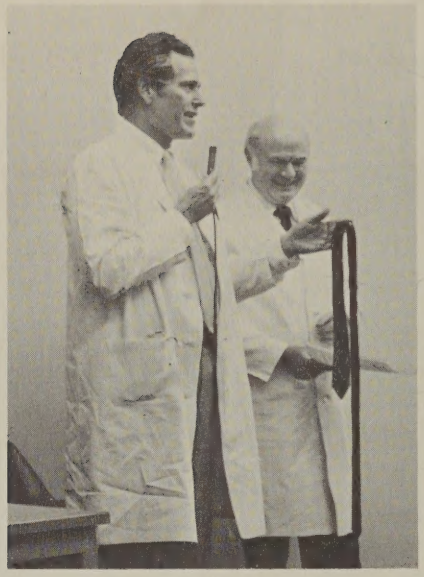
Recent graduates of HSS who returned to the meeting were: Dr. Charles Bleifeld, Dr. James Bethea, Dr. Charles Carpenter, Dr. William Crutchlow, Dr. James Cole, Dr. Robert Cameron, Dr. Malcolm Ecker, Dr. Michael Errico, Dr. Joseph Hoffman, Dr. Joseph Hajek, Dr. Paul Lotke, Dr. Joseph Macys, Dr. Peter Macs, Dr. Terry Miller, Dr. Anthony Nastasi, Dr. Rowland Pritchard, Dr. Michael Rodi, Dr. Robert Rosenthal, Dr. Thomas Schulz and Dr. Fiske Warren.



The Symposium on Disc Problems and Management - (left to right) Dr. Anthony G. Gristina, Dr. Peter J. Marchisello, and Guest Speakers, Dr. Henry L. Feffer, Dr. Eugene J. Nordby and Dr. O. Donald Chrisman.



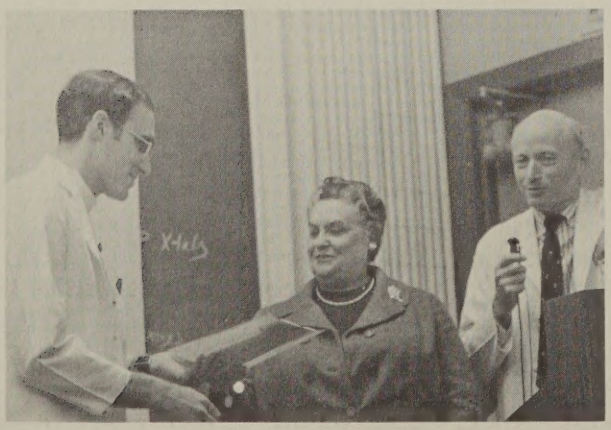
Dr. Fred C. Reynolds, Surgeon-in-Chief Pro-Tempore, accepting the Certificate of Honorary Membership in the Alumni Association from Dr. Richard P. Embick, President of the Association.



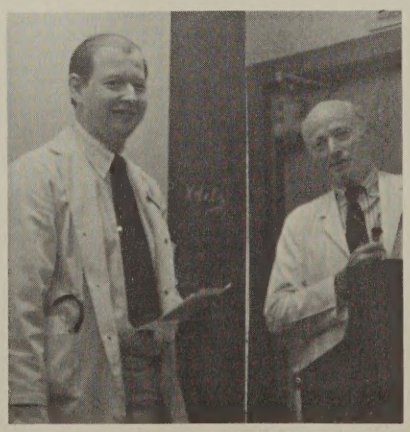
Dr. Charles L.Christian, Physician-in-Chief, presenting Dr. Daniel J. McCarty, Physician-in-Chief Pro-Tempore, with the HSS Alumni Tie.

The Lewis Clark Wagner Prize for the best Resident Paper was shared by Drs. Harry J. Robinson,Jr. and Roy Rubin, who presented their papers to the Alumni during a Research session which also included papers by Drs. Jon B. Wang, Jeanne Pamilla, Stanley E. Asnis and Hwa H. Hsieh.

On Thursday evening a Dinner Dance was held in the Tower Suite of the Time and Life Building. The Residents, Fellows and their wives were invited to attend as guests of the Alumni Association.



Dr. Roy Rubin accepting The Lewis Clark Wagner Award from Miss Hazel Evans and Dr. Philip D. Wilson,Jr., Surgeon-in-Chief.



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TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS CHOSEN

Mrs. Charles O. Ames

Mr. Peter B. Cannell

At their June meeting, the Board of Managers elected two new members, Mrs. Charles O. Ames and Mr. Peter B. Cannell, both of New York.

Mrs. Ames, formerly Shirley Foerderer, is originally from Bryn Mawr, where her family has a long association with Jefferson Hospital, now part of Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. Mrs. Ames attended the Foxcroft School and Mt. Vernon Junior College. She is currently active in several organizations in her community including the Long Island Biological Institute, the North Country Garden Club and the East Woods School. Mrs. Ames has been a patient at Special Surgery and has shown a great deal of enthusiasm about the Hospital. Mr. & Mrs. Ames reside in Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island, with their children. Mr. Ames is a Vice-President with Paine Webber in New York City.

Mr. Peter B. Cannell is President of Peter B. Cannell & Company, Inc., an investment counselling firm located in New York City. Mr. Cannell, a graduate of Princeton University, has been in the investment field since 1953, when he trained with Merrill Lynch. In 1954 he joined F. Eberstadt, later to become a partner in the firm. In 1962, Mr. Cannell became President of the Chemical Fund at F. Eberstadt in charge of the Institutional Department and the Investment Advisory Department. He joined Wertheim in 1969, as Senior Vice President in charge of the Asset Management Group. Mr. Cannell is married to the former Ann Eberstadt. Mr. & Mrs. Cannell and their children reside in New York City.

We welcome both Mrs. Ames and Mr. Cannell to Special Surgery.

QUICK THINKING SAVES A LIFE

A few months ago, Suzanne McIntyre, the wife of Albert McIntyre, Engineering, saved the life of a young boy who was trapped in a cave-in in Central Islip.

A group of boys were playing in a pit when the sand caved in, completely covering one of the youngsters. Delores McIntyre, 11, was roller skating nearby when she heard the screams for help. She raced to her home, and told her mother to call the police.

Mrs. McIntyre, who is a private duty nurse, was still in her uniform from a night's work when she ran to help. She arrived at the scene and upon seeing that the boy's face was purple, immediately began to give him mouth to mouth resuscitation. The boy responded at first, but then stopped breathing again. Suzanne continued to administer mouth to mouth resuscitation until the police arrived with the oxygen.

During the race to Southside Hospital, Mrs. McIntyre held the oxygen mask to the boy's face. By the time they arrived at the hospital, he was breathing on his own.

OUTPATIENT CHILDREN'S PARTY

The Lecture Hall was filled with the smiling faces of children on December 16th, when the Rehabilitation Department held it's Annual Christmas Party for the Hospital's outpatient children.

Josephine McAuley and Janet Fromkin, our Recreational Therapists, organized the festivities.

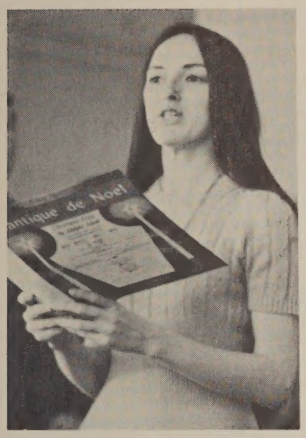
All the children waited eagerly for the guest of honor to arrive from his northern retreat. When Santa made his entrance, complete with white shoes, he was a big hit!

Santa distributed the many toys that were generously donated by the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation of New York, employees of the Morgan Guaranty Club, members of the Gilbert and Sullivan League and employees of Norman, Craig and Kummel,Inc. Norman, Craig and Kummel donated 200 beautiful dolls!

Entertainment was provided by a choral group from the Maryknoll Nuns, and, of course, Ed Fitzpatrick, of Physical Therapy, played Santa. The children also delighted to some Christmas cartoons.

A special note of thanks to Mrs. Charlotte Reuter, who did all the decorating, and to Mrs. Olive Galdston, our Educational Consultant from Playschool. Thanks to the many volunteers who helped, particulary Mrs. Wolf. Of course, we also want to extend our appreciation to Building Service, Dietary, Social Work and Administration, for helping to make December 16th, a happy day for the children.

A HOLIDAY SING-ALONG



In the month of December the 20th day,

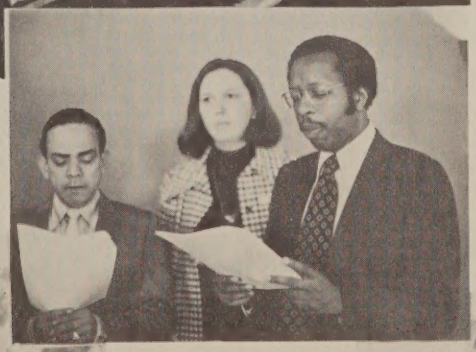
HSS Sang-Along in a manner quite gay,

With egg nog, fruit cake and lots of good food,

To welcome the New Year in a holiday mood.

And when it was over all did agree,

They really enjoyed our Christmas jubilee.



HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY PROGRAM

This year 19 Special Surgery employees enrolled in the High School Equivalency Program that is offered each fall by the Training Section of The New York Hospital Personnel Department.

The classes, which are held in Payson House, began on September 10th and will end on January 16th. On their own time employees may attend one of three sessions available. The classes are held in the morning, afternoon and evening, in order to accommodate employees who work various shifts.

After the completion of the course, employees may take the High School Equivalency Examination, and, if successful, they will receive their High School Diploma.

Many sample tests are given during the classes to familiarize employees with the structure of the exam. We have been told that our employees received some of the highest scores on these tests. Right on HSS!

The Program, which stresses English and Math, will be offered again this spring. The Hospital will pay the cost of tuition for all interested employees. If you would like to find out more about the High School Equivalency Program, contact Peggy Primis, Ext. 117.

As their 8 a.m. class begins, these employees -- nine from The New York Hospital and three from The Hospital for Special Surgery -- pose with their English teacher. Seated (left to right) are Israel Quinones, Hattie Richards, Monica Lake, and Elsinore Browne. Standing (left to right) are Carmeleta Moodie, Cora McRae, Margaret McGlynn (teacher), Ella Smith, Daniel Palermo, Martha North, Gloria Ifill, and Dorrit Thomas.

INSIDE TALK

WELCOME:

To the following new employees:

Janet Hodos, Admitting
Joseph Hubert and Francisco Negron, Building Service
Christine Castellucio, Mabel Gilbert, Loretta Tolliver and Edward Williams, Dietary
Marilyn Goodman, Stephanie Gregory and Robert McRae, Nursing.

ENGAGEMENTS:

Carmela Maggio, Social Work, recently became engaged to Mr. Jay Merola. They will wed in July.

MARRIAGES:

Congratulations to *Artie Damm*, Communications, who wed Mary O'Dowd.

BIRTHS:

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. *Victorino Cayetano*, Communications, the new parents of Daisy, born on December 23rd.

Dorothy Byrnes, Communications, became a grandmother for the fifth time when her daughter-in-law gave birth to Jennifer Catherine on November 1st. Jennifer weighed 9 lbs., 10 ozs.

Best wishes to *Jane Bruce*, Dietary, who welcomed her new son, Nolan.

Phyllis and Tony Marinaccio, welcomed their first baby, April Lynn, on November 27th. Phyllis used to work in Immuno-Pathology.

April Lynn Marinaccio

DEATHS:

Our deepest sympathy to *Mary Carragher*, Nursing, whose father recently passed away.

ILLNESSES:

We hope *Wanda DiGregorio*, Nursing, is feeling better and will be back to work soon.
Best wishes to *Johnnie James*, Dietary, for her speedy recovery, and to *Margaret O'Donohue and Emilia Nicala*, Nursing.

Welcome back to *Lydia Patterson and Liborio Claudio*, who returned after being sick.

Congratulations to *Bruce Tannenbaum*, Radiology, who passed the New York State Registry Exam for Nuclear Medicine Technologists. Congratulations to *Jeffrey Cohen, Susan Hemmendinger, and Carolyn Smith*, Radiology, who recently passed the New York State Registry Exam for X-Ray Technicians.

TUITION REFUND POLICY

For sometime employees have expressed their concern about the withholding of taxes from tuition payments. This practice, as you know, was adopted upon advice from legal counsel based on the context of our policy.

In an effort to resolve your concerns, we conducted a survey of tuition refund plans in other hospitals. By making some revisions in our own policy, it is now possible not to withhold taxes when courses will improve your skills on the job, are required by licensure, or are required by the Hospital as a condition of your retention as an employee. Courses required for a degree in one of the health care disciplines will continue to be subject to taxation in accordance with IRS regulations.

Based on the survey results, further revisions have been made in our policy. Employees may be reimbursed for up to six credits per semester in tuition fees only, to a maximum of $1200 per year. Full reimbursement (100%) will be given to any employee receiving a passing grade.

Under the revised policy, in order to apply for reimbursement you must submit a copy of your bursar's receipt and school catalog within 10 days of the start of the course. A copy of your transcript or a written letter, postcard, etc., from your professor must then be submitted within 20 days of the completion of the course.

The new policy, which became effective on December 1, 1974, will apply to all applications received after that date. For your further information, a copy of the policy is enclosed in this issue. If you should have any questions, please consult your Department Head or Personnel.

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